HOUSE No. 844

By Mr. Fagan of Taunton, petition of James H. Fagan relative to the penalty for assault and battery upon school teachers. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO ASSAULT AND BATTERY ON SCHOOL TEACHERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, after section
- 3 13K, the following section:—
- 4 Section 13L. Whoever commits an assault and battery on a
- 5 school teacher, teacher's aide, faculty member, school adminis-
- 6 trator or school staff member of a public or private elementary,
- 7 vocational, secondary school, junior college, college or a univer-
- 8 sity while said school teacher, teacher's aide, faculty member,
- 9 school administrator or school staff member is on or within the
- 10 real property comprising a public or private elementary, voca-
- 11 tional, secondary school, junior college, college or university
- 12 whether or not in session shall be punished by imprisonment for
- 13 not less than ninety days nor more than two and one-half years in
- 14 a house of correction or by a fine of not less than five hundred nor
- 15 more than five thousand dollars, and a violator may be arrested
- 16 without a warrant by any officer having police powers in the juris-
- 17 diction of the act.